



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP NO. 2873**

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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MAKOTO MISAKA

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Appln. No.: 09/576,297

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Filed: May 23, 2000

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For: ZOOM LENS, AND IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS AND IMAGE PROJECTION APPARATUS USING THE SAME

August 29, 2003

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the final Official Action dated May 29, 2003, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: